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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER RULES 97 AND 98

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Applicants submit this information disclosure  
statement pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97 and 1.98.

This information disclosure statement is being filed  
concurrently with the filing of the application. Accordingly,  
this information disclosure statement is being filed pursuant  
to 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), i.e., before the mailing date of a first  
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Information Disclosur Statement

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98, a listing of publications submitted for consideration by the PTO are provided on annexed Form PTO-1449. A legible copy of the publications listed on the Form are submitted herewith.

As to each item of information which is not in the English language, a concise explanation of the relevance thereof pursuant to 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) is attached. The concise explanation of relevance comprises an English language Abstract attached to each non-English language item of information. Each item of information is also described in the present specification in the section entitled "Background of the Invention".

Consideration of this information disclosure statement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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